

bench and she will make an excellent addition to the Northern District of Texas.

I am not alone in believing that Ms. Boyle will make an outstanding Federal district judge. The Texas Employment Lawyers Association, TELA, calls Ms. Boyle "considerate, concerned, and well-read," in addition to possessing "a great deal of knowledge about employment law" and an excellent judicial demeanor that is reflected in her "even-handed and fair" approach to adjudication. Ms. Boyle also has strong bipartisan support. The current chair of the Dallas County Democratic Party has written a letter expressing her "enthusiastic support of the nomination of Jane J. Boyle," and a former chair of the same organization wrote a letter stating that "in the case of this nominee, partisan considerations are unwise and should evaporate."

Ms. Boyle's experience both as a U.S. attorney and as a Federal magistrate judge will serve her well on the Federal district court. I urge my colleagues to join me in strong support of Ms. Boyle's nomination.

Mr. CORNYN. Mr. President, I am proud today to cast my vote in the affirmative for Jane J. Boyle who has been nominated to the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Texas. She presently serves as United States Attorney for the Northern District of Texas. Judge Boyle has a long and distinguished career of public service and is well qualified to return to the bench having served as United States Magistrate Judge for the Northern District of Texas from 1990 to 2002.

In addition, she served a previous term as United States Attorney, Northern District of Texas from 1987 to 1990, and was an Assistant District Attorney in the Dallas County District Attorney's Office from 1981 to 1987.

Judge Boyle is imminently well qualified, as the ABA has rated her. More importantly, there is bipartisan consensus of those who know her and work with her. Moreover, she has garnered the respect of her colleagues and those who work for her. Most notably, she has gained the respect of the Dallas community, including folks from the entire political spectrum.

I ask unanimous consent to have a related article printed in the RECORD.

There being no objection, the material was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

(For immediate release, June 17, 2004)  
 SENATE CONFIRMS JANE BOYLE FOR  
 JUDGESHIP  
 WILL FILL VACANT SEAT IN NORTHERN  
 DISTRICT, BASED IN DALLAS

WASHINGTON.—The U.S. Senate on Thursday unanimously approved the federal judicial nomination of current U.S. Attorney Jane Boyle to be the U.S. District Judge for the Northern District of Texas. Boyle, 49, will be based in Dallas, and replaces retired Judge Jerry L. Buchmeyer. The Northern District's jurisdiction includes 100 counties.

"Jane Boyle has remarkable experience and knowledge of the law. She has done an outstanding job as U.S. Attorney in Dallas,

and I'm confident that she will continue to serve Texas and the nation with excellence," Cornyn said. "She has garnered the respect of her colleagues, those who work for her, and most notably, she has gained the respect of folks from across the political spectrum."

U.S. Sen. John Cornyn, a member of the Judiciary Committee, along with Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison, recommended Boyle to President Bush on September 9, 2003. The President nominated Boyle on November 24, 2003, and she was confirmed by the Judiciary Committee on April 1, 2004.

Boyle was appointed by President George W. Bush in 2002 to be U.S. Attorney for the Northern District after a long and distinguished legal career in Texas. Prior to that selection, she served as U.S. Magistrate Judge for the Northern District for twelve years, earning significant judicial experience in the region.

Boyle also worked for a number of years as an Assistant U.S. Attorney and an Assistant District Attorney for Dallas County. She earned a J.D. degree from Southern Methodist University School of Law in 1981 and graduated with honors from The University of Texas at Austin in 1977. She has been published in numerous legal periodicals, including the Texas Bar Journal.

Sen. Cornyn chairs the subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights & Property Rights, and is the only former judge on the committee. He also serves on the Armed Services, Environment and Public Works, and Budget Committees. He served previously as Texas Attorney General, Texas Supreme Court Justice, and Bexar County District Judge.

Mr. LEAHY. Mr. President, I ask for the yeas and nays on the nomination.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there a sufficient second?

There is a sufficient second.

The yeas and nays were ordered.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Texas, Mr. CORNYN, is recognized.

Mr. CORNYN. Mr. President, in the interest of time, I will not belabor the point. I wanted to add my voice to that of Senator HUTCHISON commending this fine nominee, Jane Boyle, to the U.S. Senate.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The question is, Shall the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of Jane J. Boyle, of Texas, to be United States District Judge for the Northern District of Texas?

The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk called the roll.

Mr. REID. I announce that the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KERRY) is necessarily absent.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. SMITH). Are there any other Senators in the Chamber desiring to vote?

The result was announced—yeas 99, nays 0, as follows:

[Rollcall Vote No. 128 Ex.]  
 YEAS—99

Akaka	Brownback	Collins
Alexander	Bunning	Conrad
Allard	Burns	Cornyn
Allen	Byrd	Corzine
Baucus	Campbell	Craig
Bayh	Cantwell	Crapo
Bennett	Carper	Daschle
Biden	Chafee	Dayton
Bingaman	Chambliss	DeWine
Bond	Clinton	Dodd
Boxer	Cochran	Dole
Breaux	Coleman	Domenici

Dorgan	Johnson	Pryor
Durbin	Kennedy	Reed
Edwards	Kohl	Reid
Ensign	Kyl	Roberts
Enzi	Landrieu	Rockefeller
Feingold	Lautenberg	Santorum
Feinstein	Leahy	Sarbanes
Fitzgerald	Levin	Schumer
Frist	Lieberman	Sessions
Graham (FL)	Lincoln	Shelby
Graham (SC)	Lott	Smith
Grassley	Lugar	Snowe
Gregg	McCain	Specter
Hagel	McConnell	Stabenow
Harkin	Mikulski	Stevens
Hatch	Miller	Sununu
Hollings	Murkowski	Talent
Hutchison	Murray	Thomas
Inhofe	Nelson (FL)	Voivovich
Inouye	Nelson (NE)	Warner
Jeffords	Nickles	Wyden

NOT VOTING—1

Kerry

The nomination was confirmed. The PRESIDING OFFICER. The President will be immediately notified of the Senate's action on this nomination.

LEGISLATIVE SESSION

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, the Senate will now return to legislative session.

NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2005—Continued

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Nevada.

Mr. REID. Mr. President, it is my understanding that Senator WARNER and Senator REED have worked out an arrangement whereby the missile defense amendment will not be offered, but the end strength amendment will be offered at this time.

The chairman has arrived. What I have said is that the chairman and Senator REED have agreed that his missile defense amendment will be offered at a subsequent time and that now the end strength amendment that has been around for several days would be debated at this time and voted upon.

Mr. WARNER. Mr. President, that was a suggestion I made to the Senator from Rhode Island. I think he will perhaps reflect on the need to go forward with his second missile defense amendment, and he had asked for that need to be reconsidered. Therefore, in its place we can put the end strength amendment, which would be a matter of convenience and great interest to our membership on this side, given it is a bipartisan amendment.

Mr. REID. Following that, the amendment of Senator SESSIONS will be offered, and following that the amendment of Senator BIDEN will be offered.

Mr. WARNER. Could we put time agreements on this now?

Mr. REID. We certainly should be able to.

I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.